

U.S. Rep. Lynn Westmoreland, of Grantville, entered Congress in January 2005 after serving 12 years in the Georgia House. He represents Georgia's 3rd District, which stretches from the southern suburbs of metro Atlanta into Middle Georgia.

In Congress, Lynn serves on the Transportation and Infrastructure, Small Business and Government Oversight and Reform committees.

Serving on the Small Business Committee affords Lynn the opportunity to consistently focus on ways to enhance the business climate for one of our nation's most important economic engines. Within the Small Business Committee, he is the Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Regulations, Health Care, and Trade. This subcommittee examines the regulatory activities of issues that affect small businesses, as well as oversight on health care coverage and trade issues. He is also a member of the Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight. This subcommittee works to oversee the Small Business Administration.

Lynn also serves on the Committee on Government Oversight and Reform, created to ensure government accountability. The panel is considered the chief investigative and oversight committee and exercises government-wide oversight and expanded legislative authority. Within the Committee on Government Oversight and Reform, Lynn is a member of the Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs. This subcommittee has jurisdiction over national security, homeland security, and foreign affairs.

Lynn was also honored with the opportunity to serve on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. He is a member of the Subcommittee on Aviation, an industry important to the people of the 3rd District. The Aviation Subcommittee oversees funding and organization of the Federal Aviation Administration, safety and security programs, and oversight of the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB). He was also selected to serve on the Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials Subcommittee, which oversees railroad infrastructure programs, reauthorization of the Federal Railroad Administration's Safety Program, and reauthorization of Amtrak.

In the state House, Lynn served three years as Republican leader, fighting for low taxes and less government. He played a major role in delivering a Republican majority in the state House for the first time.

The Westmorelands reside in Coweta County, after living for more than 25 years in Fayette County, where he started a building company, L.A.W. Builders. In the construction industry, Lynn worked in all aspects of the trade, including commercial and residential construction, and land development.

He and his wife Joan have been married for 39 years. They have three children and six grandchildren.